CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS

GENERATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF PERSONALIZED MULTIMEDIA NATURAL PHENOMENOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Applicant: Craig R. Burfeind et al. Serial No.: 10/004,623

18. (Amended) A method for generating and distributing personalized natural phenomena information comprising:

receiving natural phenomena data from a source;

receiving predetermined criteria for selecting natural phenomena data, wherein the predetermined criteria comprises information that describes personal preference data of a subscriber;

selecting a portion of the natural phenomena data based on the predetermined criteria; and transmitting the portion to at least one destination device.

- 19. (Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein receiving natural phenomena data occurs before receiving predetermined criteria for selecting natural phenomena data.
- 20. The method of claim 18, further comprising before transmitting, receiving predetermined criteria identifying at least one destination device; and wherein transmitting further comprises encoding the portion compliant to the destination device medium capabilities, features and functions.
- 21. The method of claim 18, wherein the predetermined criteria further describes at least one activity and the predetermined activity further comprises:

at least one sensitivity to natural phenomena, a schedule of the at least one activity; and

at least one geographic location of the at least one activity.

- 22. The method of claim 18, wherein the portion further comprises multimedia data.
- 23. The method of claim 18, wherein the destination device includes one or more devices selected from the group consisting of a telephone, a voicemail system, a pager, a multimedia-enabled computer, an email system, a computer display monitor, a personal digital assistant, and a personal communication system phone.
- 24. (Amended) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions to cause a server computer to perform a method comprising:

receiving natural phenomena data from a source;

receiving predetermined criteria for selecting natural phenomena data, wherein the predetermined criteria comprises information that describes personal preference data of a subscriber;

selecting a portion of the natural phenomena data based on the predetermined criteria; and transmitting the portion to at least one destination device.





- 25. (Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 24, wherein receiving natural phenomena data occurs before receiving predetermined criteria for selecting natural phenomena data.
- 26. The computer-readable medium of claim 24, further comprising before transmitting, receiving predetermined criteria identifying at least one destination device; and wherein transmitting further comprises encoding the portion compliant to the destination device medium and capabilities.
- 27. The computer-readable medium of claim 24, wherein the predetermined criteria further describes a plurality of activities, and wherein the predetermined activity further comprises: at least one sensitivity to natural phenomena; a schedule of the plurality of activities; and at least one geographic location associated with each of the plurality of activities.
- 28. The computer-readable medium of claim 24, wherein the portion further comprises multimedia data.
- 29. The computer-readable medium of claim 24, wherein the destination device includes one or more devices selected from the group consisting of a telephone, a voicemail system, a pager, a multimedia-enabled computer, an email system, a computer display monitor, a personal digital assistant, and a personal communication system phone.
- **B**3
- 30. (Amended) A computerized system for generating and distributing personalized natural phenomena information, comprising:
 - a receiver of natural phenomena data;
 - a receiver of predetermined criteria for selection of natural phenomena data, wherein the predetermined criteria comprises information further comprises personal preference data of a subscriber;
 - a selector of a portion of the natural phenomena data based on the predetermined criteria, communicatively connected to the receiver of natural phenomena data and the receiver of predetermined criteria; and
 - at least one transmitter communicatively connected between the selector and at least one ______destination_device.______
- 31. The computerized system of claim 30, further comprising a receiver of predetermined criteria of at least one destination device, communicatively coupled between the selector and the transmitter; and wherein the transmitter encodes the portion compliant to the capabilities, features and functions of the destination device medium and transmits the encoded portion to the destination device.
- 32. The computerized system of claim 30, wherein the predetermined criteria further describes at least one activity and the predetermined activity further comprises:
 - at least one sensitivity to natural phenomena;
 - a schedule of the plurality of activities; and

at least one geographic location associated with each of the plurality of activities.

- 33. The computerized system of claim 30, wherein the portion further comprises multimedia data.
- 34. The computerized system of claim 30, wherein the destination device includes one or more devices selected from the group consisting of a telephone, a voicemail system, a pager, a multimedia-enabled computer, an email system, a computer display monitor, a personal digital assistant, and a personal communication system phone.
- 35. (Amended) A computer data signal encoded in a carrier wave comprising computer data including personalized natural phenomena information, wherein the computer data further comprises data generated by a method comprising:

receiving natural phenomena data from a source;

receiving predetermined criteria for selecting natural phenomena data, wherein the predetermined criteria comprises information that further comprises personal preference data of a subscriber; and

selecting a portion of the natural phenomena data based on the predetermined criteria.

- 36. (Amended) The computer data signal of claim 35, wherein receiving natural phenomena data occurs before receiving predetermined criteria for selecting natural phenomena data.
- 37. The computer data signal of claim 35, wherein the portion further comprises data encoded in a manner compliant to a destination device medium capabilities, features and functions.
- 38. The computer data signal of claim 37, wherein the destination device further comprises at least one of a telephone, a voicemail system, a pager, a multimedia-enabled computer, email system, a computer display monitor, a personal digital assistant, and a personal communication system phone.
- 39. The computer data signal of claim 35, wherein the predetermined criteria further describes a plurality of activities, and wherein the predetermined activity further comprises:

at least one sensitivity to natural phenomena;

a schedule of the plurality of activities; and

- at least one geographic location of the plurality of activities.
- 40. The computer data signal of claim 35, wherein the portion further comprises multimedia data.



41. (Amended) A computer-readable medium having stored thereon a data structure

a first field comprising data representing a subscriber data structure describing a receiver of natural phenomena data; and



a second field comprising data representing a natural phenomena data structure associated with a subscriber identified by the first field.

- 42. The computer-readable medium of claim 41, wherein the subscriber data structure further comprises a pointer to a subscriber object.
- 43. (Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 41, wherein the natural phenomena data structure further comprises a pointer to a natural phenomena object.
- 44. (Amended) A data structure having stored thereon a person data structure comprising: a person type field containing data representing an identifier of a particular person; a natural phenomena-preference data structure containing data representing at least one natural phenomena-preference for the particular person identified by the person type field; and
 - a calendar data structure containing data representing a calendar for the particular person identified by the person type field.
- 45. (Amended) The data structure of claim 44 wherein the natural phenomena-preference data structure further comprises:
 - a natural phenomena-preference type field containing data representing an identifier of a particular natural phenomena-preference;
 - at least one natural phenomena-knowledge data structure containing data representing natural phenomena-knowledge for the natural phenomena-preference identified by the preference type field;
 - a forecast data structure containing data representing forecast for the n natural phenomena-preference identified by the preference type field; and a gridded data structure containing data representing gridded-data for the natural phenomena-preference identified by the preference type field.
- 46. The data structure of claim 44, wherein the calendar data structure further comprises:

 a calendar type field containing data representing an identifier of a particular calendar; and
 - a day data structure containing data representing a plurality of days for the particular calendar identified by the calendar type field.

47. (Amended) The data structure of claim 46, wherein the day data structure field further comprises:

B

a day type field containing data representing an identifier of a particular day; and

a natural phenomena-preference data structure containing data representing natural phenomena-preference for the particular day identified by the day type field.

48. A data structure having stored thereon a preference data structure comprising:

a preference type field containing data representing an identifier of a particular preference;

a sensitivity data structure containing data representing a sensitivity for the particular preference identified by the preference type field; and

a geographic-location data structure containing data representing a geographic-location for the particular preference identified by the preference type field.



49. (Amended) The data structure of claim 48, wherein the preference type field identifies a natural phenomena-preference data structure.

- 50. The data structure of claim 48, wherein the geographic-location data structure further comprises:
 - a geographic-location type field containing data representing an identifier of a particular geographic-location;
 - a longitude field containing data representing a longitude for the particular geographic-location identified by the geographic-location type field;
 - a latitude field containing data representing a latitude for the particular geographic-location identified by the geographic-location type field;

a name field containing data representing a name for the particular geographic-location identified by the geographic-location type field; and a radius field containing data representing a radius for the particular geographic-location identified by the name type field.

51. (Amended) A method comprising:

generating a personalized natural phenomena forecast, in reference to one or more activities, at least one geographic location, and one or more dates and times; and distributing the personalized natural phenomena information through the Internet.

52. (Amended) The method of claim 51, wherein the natural phenomena forecast further comprises a meteorological forecast.

53. (Amended) A method comprising: instantiating a gridded database object on a server; and

receiving in the gridded database object, gridded data from a source, wherein the gridded data further comprises gridded natural phenomena records providing numerical measurement data on current conditions at a variety of altitudes and locations, wherein the gridded data is in gridded binary format;

storing the gridded data in a gridded database object;

generating a text string of personalized natural phenomena from the gridded database object;

encoding the text string according to the capabilities, features and functions of an output device; and

transmitting the encoded text string to the output device

54. (Canceled)

55. (Amended) A method for generating personalized natural phenomena information comprising:

retrieving gridded data from a gridded database; and

310

generating a personalized natural phenomena text string from the gridded data and from personal preference data.

- 56. The method of claim 55, further comprising: receiving gridded data by the gridded database; and storing the gridded data in the gridded database.
- 57. (Amended) The method of claim 55, further comprising:
 encoding the personalized natural phenomena text string according to capabilities of an
 output device.
- 58. (Amended) The method of claim 57, further comprising:
 transmitting the encoded personalized natural phenomena text string to the output device.
- A personalized natural phenomena text string produced by the process of: retrieving gridded data from a gridded database; and generating the personalized natural phenomena text string from the gridded data and from personal preference data.
- 60. (Amended) The personalized natural phenomena text string produced by the process of claim 59, further comprising:

receiving gridded data by the gridded database; and storing the gridded data in the gridded database.

61. (Amended) The personalized natural phenomena text string produced by the process of claim 59, further comprising:

encoding the natural phenomena text string according to capabilities of an output device.

62. (Amended) The personalized natural phenomena text string produced by the process of claim 61, further comprising:

transmitting the encoded personalized natural phenomena text string to the output device.

An apparatus to generate personalized natural phenomena information comprising:

a gridded database object; and

a personal-weather text-generator operably coupled to the gridded database object to retrieve gridded data from the gridded database, and to receive personal preference data, and to generate a personalized natural phenomena text-string from the gridded data and from the personal preference data.

BII

64. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 63, further comprising:

an encoder of the personalized natural phenomena text string according to capabilities of an output device.

65. (Amended) An apparatus to generate personalized natural phenomena information comprising:

a gridded database object; and

means to generate a personalized natural phenomena text-string from the gridded data and from the personal preference.

66. (Amended) The apparatus of claim 65, further comprising:
means to encode the personalized natural phenomena text string according to capabilities of an output device.